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MARTIN D. NATHANSON, ET AL.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT,
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the November 19, 2003 Restriction Requirement to March 19, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account 50-1710 \$475.00 for payment of the extension fee. Any additional fee required, and any overpayments should also be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

In response to the Restriction Requirement of November 19, 2003,
Applicants provisionally elect Group IV, Claims 32-34 and 37-39, drawn to an extension
of hybrid network for detecting the neighboring vehicles, with traverse. Traversal is on
the grounds that a search of the art for one group of claims will necessarily include a
search of the art for the other group of claims. It is believed that the burden on the
Examiner to examine all claims in a single application is less than the burden on the
Applicants/public to prosecute/search more than one application/patent.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3507. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

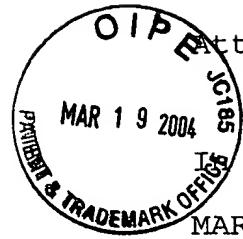


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THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination, and further to the preliminary amendments filed March 16 2001 and July 30, 2003.

I. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

II. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

III. Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 18 of this paper and include both the attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

IV. Remarks begin on page 19 of this paper.

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An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached
following page 21 of this paper.